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EXECUTIVE ORDER 04-19

COMMISSION OF STATE

WHEREAS, I have been advised by the Director of State Emergency Management Agency that the State of Florida is requesting assistance under the Emergency Mutual Assistance Compact (EMAC) in response to Hurricanes Frances and Ivan which is expected to make landfall over the weekend; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida requests that Missouri provide communication assistance, generators, operators, and furnish ground support beginning September 10, 2004, and continuing; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2004, I directed the Missouri National Guard to initiate efforts to comply with the State of Florida's request and any other requests for the National Guard resulting in the hurricane response pursuant to the EMAC; and

WHEREAS, the EMAC is designed to protect the safety and welfare of the citizens in the affected participating EMAC states; and

WHEREAS, protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens in the affected communities requires an invocation of the provision of Section 44.415, RSMo and 41.480, RSMo.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BOB HOLDEN, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 44.415, RSMo and Section 41.480, RSMo do hereby declare that Missouri will implement the EMAC with the State of Florida to provide assistance because Florida will experience three hurricanes within one month, and I do hereby direct the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency to activate the EMAC plan. I further authorize the use of the Missouri National Guard to provide support to the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

This order shall terminate on October 31, 2004, unless extended in whole or in part.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, on this 10th day of September 2004.

Bob Holden Governor

ATTEST:

Matt Blunt
Secretary of State